

Charity Registration Number: 512642

King's Church, Wirral

Financial Statements

for the year ended 31st March, 2024

King's Church, Wirral

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King's Church, Wirral**Charity Information**

Charity Name: King's Church, Wirral

Charity Registration Number: 512642

Governing Document: Declaration of Trust dated 28th April, 1982, as amended on 17th June, 1991
The Trustees are incorporated as a body.

Principal Business Address: 1 Victoria Fields
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Trustees: M. A. McGrath
C. Orr
Ms S. P. Pearson
I. S. Roberts
G Duffield

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King's Church, Wirral**Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st March, 2024**

The trustees present their annual report and the financial statements for the year ended 31st March, 2024.

Reference and administrative details

The details are set out on page 2.

Trustees

The trustees who served during the year are as stated below:

M. A. McGrath
C. Orr
Ms S. P. Pearson
I. S. Roberts
G Duffield

Structure, Governance and Management**Governing document**

The charity is an unincorporated charity governed by its Declaration of Trust dated 28th April, 1982, as amended on 17th June, 1991. It is registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

Appointment of trustees

The trustees of the charity, under the charity's trust Deed, are known as the trustees. Under the requirements of the Trust Deed, the Trustees are eligible to appoint additional trustees from amongst the Church's membership.

Trustee induction and training

New trustees meet with the existing trustees to brief them on their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the Trust Deed, the trustees and decision making processes, the business plan and recent financial performance of the charity. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate external training events where these will facilitate the undertaking of their role.

Organisation

The board of trustees, which must have a minimum of 3 members, administers the charity. The board meets regularly through the year to review strategy, performance, operating plans, budgets and building matters.

Risk management

The trustees have a risk management strategy which includes:

- an annual review of the risks the charity may face;
- the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the plan; and
- the implementation of procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.
- implementation and annual review of the child protection policy and guidelines;
- ongoing review of compliance with Disability Discrimination Act;
- development and implementation of other risk management procedures including health and safety and fire safety;
- a financial reserves policy;
- an investment policy.

Objective and activities

The objects of the charity are:

- the advancement of the Christian faith and the worship of God.
- the relief of persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress, or who are aged and sick.
- the advancement of education on the basis of Christian principles and the worship of God.

King's Church, Wirral**Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st March, 2024 (continued)****Objective and activities (continued)**

When planning our activities for the year, the trustees gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

The activities undertaken by the Church to further its objectives were:

- conducting meetings
- running community projects
- organising activities and groups
- working closely with other Christian organisations.

Volunteers

The charity is grateful for the commitment of its volunteers who are involved in all aspects of the charity's operations.

Achievements and performance during the year

As a church we are situated in one of the most socially deprived areas of the country. We continue to reach out and serve our local neighbourhood by establishing a community hub.

The Tots group continues to be very much appreciated by the community and has an excellent reputation. It has been good to have local community representatives dropping in to offer support and advice to the families who regularly come along.

We work together really well with the local supported-housing officer, who offers a drop-in 'surgery' for the residents.

We have been continuing to attract various groups who rent parts of our building for regular groups such as a weekly Children's Centre Stay and Play, Diabetes Prevention group, Training Sessions around such things as mental health, Counselling, providing education with recognised qualifications.

Throughout the year we have organised community events for families, Easter, Summer Fun Day, Winter Wonderland, Carols in the local pub.

We have raised donations for Macmillan Cancer Support, regular support of the Wirral Food Bank and Christmas shoeboxes for the Teams4U charity who work into Eastern Europe.

Donations from our members has enabled us to strip out and replace the entire central heating system.

Funding received has enabled us to completely refurbish the crèche area, adding new toilets and small kitchen

Overall it has been a very encouraging year

Financial Review**Results for the year**

The results for the year are set out on page 7.

Grant making policy

The trustees make payments on a case by case basis .

Investment powers and policy

Under the Trust Deed, the charity has the power to invest in any way the trustees wish.

Reserves policy

The trustees have established the level of reserves (that is those funds that are freely available) that the charity ought to have, which is equal to twelve months' of normal unrestricted expenditure. Reserves are needed to even out any short term funding gaps between spending and the related income. The trustees therefore consider that the ideal level of reserves as at 31st March 2024 would be £110,000 (2023: £110,000).

King's Church, Wirral**Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st March, 2024 (continued)****Reserves policy (continued)**

The actual reserves at 31st March 2024 were £23,316 (2023: £13,996), which is £86,684 (2023: £96,004) short of our target figure of £110,000 (2023: £110,000). In calculating reserves, the trustees have excluded from total funds, restricted income funds (£13,026) and tangible fixed assets (£76,873). We, therefore, will be examining ways to increase the level of reserves in the coming year.

Plans for future periods

Our plans for the coming year are very community focussed. We will continue organising more community fun days, using our premises for groups and charities that are directed towards helping people in the locality with various practical and mental health needs.

We remain open to new initiatives in our ongoing mission to share the good news of Jesus Christ in our locality, strengthen and grow the church and continue supporting ministries and charities both home and abroad.

We aim to keep on with improvements to the building to further enhance its appearance and so attract further groups that will be a blessing to the community

Trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 14th September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



C. Orr
Chairman

King's Church, Wirral

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
King's Church, Wirral**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March, 2024 which are set out on pages 7 to 15.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with my examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Paul Collins F.C.A.
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Chartered Accountants
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14th September 2024**

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st March, 2024

	Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL FUNDS	
		Funds	Funds	2024	2023
		£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:					
Donations and Legacies	2	96,564	41,856	138,420	89,916
Other trading activities	3	11,258	0	11,258	7,365
Investments	4	0	0	0	0
Charitable activities	5	8,973	0	8,973	10,130
Other income	6	0	0	0	0
TOTAL INCOME		<u>116,795</u>	<u>41,856</u>	<u>158,651</u>	<u>107,411</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:					
Raising funds	7	0	0	0	0
Charitable activities	8	110,319	30,792	141,111	135,098
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>110,319</u>	<u>30,792</u>	<u>141,111</u>	<u>135,098</u>
NET (EXPENDITURE)/INCOME		6,476	11,064	17,540	(27,687)
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		<u>6,476</u>	<u>11,064</u>	<u>17,540</u>	<u>(27,687)</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward at 1st April, 2023		<u>93,713</u>	<u>1,962</u>	<u>95,675</u>	<u>123,362</u>
Total funds carried forward at 31st March, 2024		<u>100,189</u>	<u>13,026</u>	<u>113,215</u>	<u>95,675</u>

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these accounts.

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Balance Sheet at 31st March, 2024

	Note	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	11	76,873	79,717
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	12	15,605	11,493
Cash at bank and in hand		24,123	11,154
Total current assets		<u>39,728</u>	<u>22,647</u>
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	13	3,386	6,689
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>36,342</u>	<u>15,958</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		113,215	95,675
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		0	0
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u>113,215</u>	<u>95,675</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY	14		
Unrestricted		100,189	93,713
Restricted		13,026	1,962
Total charity funds		<u>113,215</u>	<u>95,675</u>

Approved by the Board of Trustees on 14th September 2024 and signed on its behalf by:



C. Orr



M. A. McGrath

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these accounts.

King's Church, Wirral**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March, 2024****1 Accounting policies**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2015 FRS 102) and applicable UK Accounting Standards.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the charity that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the charity. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the trustees are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by the donors or through the terms of an appeal.

Transfers of funds are made to recognise the release of restricted funds or to meet expenditure not covered by restricted income.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the charity is held responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of groups that owe their main affiliation to another body.

Income**Donations and legacies**

Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is received by or on behalf of the charity. Grants, where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of a specific performance by the charity, are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.

The charity received substantial amounts of voluntary help from its supporters, but no attempt is made to place a financial value on these services and they have not been included.

Grants receivable

Grants are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are receivable.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of the charity's premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting period.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31st March.

Volunteers

No amounts are included in the financial statements for services donated by volunteers.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March, 2024 (continued)**

1 Accounting policies (cont.)**Expenditure****Grants**

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the charity.

Raising funds

All expenses relating to fundraising, publicity, public relations and investment management charges are charged to this heading.

Charitable activities

Charitable activities comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both the costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Irrecoverable VAT

All resources expended are classified under activity headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Irrecoverable VAT is charged against the category of resources expended for which it was incurred.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Freehold leasehold land and buildings	-	2% on cost (or valuation)
Fixtures & fittings	-	20% reducing balance
Musical equipment	-	20% reducing balance

All equipment, fixtures and fittings with an original cost of less than £500, are written off in the year in which the expenditure was incurred on the basis that due to the nature of the charity's activities, there is no expectation that the cost of the assets will be recovered in the way of future revenues.

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31st March. The statement of financial activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the charity at 31st March in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit at the bank.

Operating Leases

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged to the income and expenditure account as incurred.

Contingent Liabilities and Provisions

In accordance with the SORP, a contingent liability is disclosed for those grants, which do not represent liabilities, where the possible obligation, which arises from past events, will only be confirmed by the occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the trustees' control. Provisions are recognised for those grants where there is uncertainty as to the timing or amount, and any uncertainty regarding the amount is more than one of determining a basis for reasonable estimation of the liability arising from that constructive obligation.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March, 2024 (continued)**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £
8 Charitable activities						
Missionary & charitable giving:						
Pidugu/D Connolly	4,800	0	4,800	4,800	0	4,800
A. Smith	3,000	0	3,000	3,000	0	3,000
Together for the Harvest	300	0	300	300	0	300
Wirral Youth for Christ	360	0	360	360	0	360
MacMillan Cancer Care	118	422	540			0
Sundries	245	172	417	551	200	751
	<u>8,823</u>	<u>594</u>	<u>9,417</u>	<u>9,011</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>9,211</u>
Ministry:						
Costs of services	172	0	172	262	0	262
Wages and salaries	64,213	0	64,213	63,157	0	63,157
Employers pension costs	1,599	0	1,599	1,515	0	1,515
Church costs:						
Water charges	866	0	866	607	0	607
Insurance	4,041	0	4,041	3,446	0	3,446
Heat and light	6,029	0	6,029	6,937	0	6,937
Repairs and maintenance	2,766	2,489	5,255	1,907	24,714	26,621
Heating System	0	26,920	26,920	0	0	0
Cleaning and waste disposal	1,365	0	1,365	1,064	0	1,064
Sunday school, King's Kids & Youth Work	196	0	196	291	0	291
Bank charges	809	0	809	941	0	941
Website costs	558	0	558	515	0	515
Catering	3,140	0	3,140	2,740	0	2,740
Licences	905	0	905	681	0	681
Computer Costs	109	0	109	114	0	114
King's Café and community catering	3,401	0	3,401	4,543	0	4,543
Outreach costs	2,032	0	2,032	1,648	0	1,648
Printing, postage and stationery	248	0	248	349	0	349
Hire of equipment	1,891	0	1,891	2,280	0	2,280
Telephone	1,331	0	1,331	1,230	0	1,230
Independent examination	1,380	0	1,380	1,320	0	1,320
Sundries	1,601	789	2,390	2,149	633	2,782
Depreciation on land & buildings	2,844	0	2,844	2,844	0	2,844
	<u>110,319</u>	<u>30,792</u>	<u>141,111</u>	<u>109,551</u>	<u>25,547</u>	<u>135,098</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March, 2024 (continued)**

9 Net income	2024	2023
	£	£
Net income is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	2,844	2,844
Profit/(loss) on disposal of fixed assets	0	0
Staff costs (see note 10)	65,812	64,672
Independent Examination	1,380	1,320
	<u>1,380</u>	<u>1,320</u>

10 Staff Costs	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	64,213	63,157
Pension costs	1,599	1,515
	<u>65,812</u>	<u>64,672</u>

The average number of full-time equivalent employees (including casual and part-time staff) employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Self employed pastor	1	1
Management & Administration	1	1
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

During the year the charity employed members of staff as detailed above. None (2023: None) of whom earned more than £60,000 p.a. One of the trustees (Mr C. Orr) received £35,000 fees/remuneration (2023: £35,000) during the year. Mr Orr was also reimbursed working expenses of office of £NIL (2023: £NIL) for the year. There were no other discloseable transactions in respect of trustees, persons closely connected with them or other related parties.

11 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold land & buildings £	Fixtures & fittings £	Musical equipment £	Total £
COST OR VALUATION				
At 1st April, 2023	142,213	23,858	14,473	180,544
Additions	0	0	0	0
At 31st March, 2024	<u>142,213</u>	<u>23,858</u>	<u>14,473</u>	<u>180,544</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1st April, 2023	62,498	23,857	14,472	100,827
Charge for the year	2,844	0	0	2,844
At 31st March, 2024	<u>65,342</u>	<u>23,857</u>	<u>14,472</u>	<u>103,671</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31st March, 2024	<u>76,871</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>76,873</u>
At 31st March, 2023	<u>79,715</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>79,717</u>

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11 Tangible Fixed Assets

The freehold and leasehold buildings consist of the church premises.
Church fixtures & fittings comprises various items shown at cost.
Church musical equipment comprises various items shown at cost.

12 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income Tax recoverable	14,925	11,349
Trade Debtors	680	144
	<u>15,605</u>	<u>11,493</u>

13 Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Trade Creditors	732	2,060
Other taxes and social security costs	804	735
Accruals and deferred income	1,850	3,894
	<u>3,386</u>	<u>6,689</u>

14 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	76,873	0	76,873
Current Assets	26,702	13,026	39,728
Current Liabilities	(3,386)	0	(3,386)
Liabilities after more than one year	0	0	0
Fund Balance	<u>100,189</u>	<u>13,026</u>	<u>113,215</u>

15 Movement on funds

	At 1st April, 2023	Incoming Resources (inc. gains)	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	At 31st March, 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Capital Asset Fund	79,717	0	2,844	0	76,873
General fund	13,996	116,795	107,475	0	23,316
Total unrestricted funds	<u>93,713</u>	<u>116,795</u>	<u>110,319</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>100,189</u>
<u>Restricted funds</u>					
Building Fund	0	40,242	28,868	0	11,374
Earmarked income	1,962	1,614	1,924	0	1,652
Total restricted funds	<u>1,962</u>	<u>41,856</u>	<u>30,792</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>13,026</u>
Total funds	<u>95,675</u>	<u>158,651</u>	<u>141,111</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>113,215</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March, 2024 (continued)

16 Fund Details

Details of the various funds held by the charity are as follows:

Name of fund	Description, nature and purposes of the fund
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>	
Capital Asset Fund	This fund represents the net book value of fixed assets at the year end date which cannot be readily converted into liquid funds at short notice.
General fund	Any monies not included in any other fund.
<u>Restricted funds</u>	
Building Fund	This fund was set up to collect monies to be used as when required for the continual repair and refurbishment of the Church building.
Earmarked income fund	This fund was set up to collect small amounts of money which is restricted in its use. These monies typically relate to church conferences and donations received towards the work of other charitable organisations.

17 Taxation

As a charity, King's Church, Wirral is exempt from tax on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the Charity.

18 Contingent liabilities

The charity had no contingent liabilities at 31st March, 2024 (2023: None).

19 Capital commitments

The charity had no capital commitments at 31st March, 2024 (2023: None) either contracted for or authorised by the trustees but not contracted for.